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For:

APPARATUS FOR SUPPORTING A PREFORM AN INSTALLATION FOR

MANUFACTURING OR BUILDING UP A PREFORM AND PROVIDED WITH

SUCH APPARATUS, METHODS IMPLEMENTED IN SUCH AN

INSTALLATION, AND A PREFORM MADE USING SUCH METHODS

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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